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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC, OVIP (DEPUTY SECRETARY RUSH)

SUBJECT: SECRUITY ESTIMATE

REF: STATE 106725

1. NO CIVIL DISTURBANCES ARE NOW ANTICIPATED WITHIN THE TIME FRAME OF THE VISIT. ITALIAN PUBLIC ATTENTION IS NOW FOCUSED UPON THE KIDNAPPING OF A PUBLIC PROSECUTOR IN GENOA BY EXTREME-LEFT TERRORISTS WHO ARE DEMANDING THE RELEASE OF LEFT-WING COMPANIONS NOW HELD IN JAIL (SEE ROME'S 7037). ANY CLAMOROUS DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS CASE COULD PROVOKE PROTEST DEMONSTRATIONS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF ITALY, WHICH HOWEVER WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO PRESENT PROBLEMS FOR THE VISIT. ALSO, A NATIONWIDE RAILWAY STRIKE IS SCHEDULED FROM 9 P.M., JUNE 4 UNTIL 9 P.M., JUNE 5, BUT IS NOT EXPECTED TO RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC DISORDER OR TO OTHERWISE AFFECT THE SECURITY OR ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY.

2. BOTH DOMESTICALLY ORIENTED TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST GROUPS ARE KNOWN TO OPERATE PERIODICALLY WITHIN ITALY. HOWEVER, POLICE SOURCES ARE AWARE OF NO EVIDENCE INDICATING ANY INTENTIONS OF SUCH GROUPS TO TAKE ACTION WHICH MIGHT THREATEN THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OR HIS PARTY.

3. NAMES OF CARMINE DE STEFANO, 3/13/47, RESIDENT IN NAPLES, AND ROYCE N. CRAIN, ARE BEING GIVEN TO POLICE AUTHORITIES. DE STEFANO WAS ACCUSED OF HAVING MADE A THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY REPATRIATED TO ITALY; CRAIN IS THE SUBJECT OF

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FILES IF CONSIDERED NECESSARY, AND PROVIDE POST WITH NAMES OF OTHER INDIVIDUALS OF SECURITY INTEREST.

4. THE VISIT HAS NOT YET ATTRACTED SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC ATTENTION. AWARENESS AND INTEREST WILL CERTAINLY GROW, BUT NO ADVERSE REACTIONS ARE EXPECTED TO DEVELOP. ITALIANS ARE GENERALLY FAVORABLY DISPOSED TOWARD THE UNITED STATES, AND THE SECRETARY'S MID-EAST PEACE EFFORTS HAVE PROBABLY HEIGHTENED OUR POPULARITY AND PRESTIGE AMONG MANY. AT THE PRESENT MOMENT, THERE IS NO CONVENIENT AND SPECIFIC FOCAL POINT (VIETNAM, CAMBODIA, ETC.) FOR THE ENDEMIC ANTI-AMERICAN SENTIMENTS OF A MINORITY. IT IS THE CONSENSUS OF THE SECURITY WATCH COMMITTEE THAT AT PRESENT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF EITHER SIGNIFICANT DANGER TO THE VISITING PARTY OR OF PROSPECTS FOR A DISRUPTION OF THEIR PROGRAM. VOLPE

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